# **FARMERS PLAN A TRUST** TO CONTROL WHEAT CROP.

They Will Meet in Kansas To-Day to Outline a Plan of Action Against the Elevator Combine.

Salina, Kas., May 15.—The organization of A Farmer's Trust, to combat the grain trust, or elevator combine, will probably be effected in this city to-morrow. The delegates are already arriving, representing nearly every county in Kansas, portions of | Nebraska and the grain-growing districts of Oklahoma and the Indian Territory.

The primary object of the convention will be to organize a Grain Growers' Associa-tion, to combat the elevator combine, which now controls the wheat markets of the West, but, if the movement is successful, it will in reality, result in the organization of a farmers' trust.

Own the New Wheat Crop.

It is estimated that the men, who will meet here to-morrow own at least 25,060,000 bushels of the new wheat crop and expert, by harvest time, to control double that amount. For some time the farmers have been organizing co-operative companies, in different parts of the State, for the pur-pose of shipping their own grain to market, competing with the buyers at the different Two obstacles have arisen to the operation of the plan. The railroad com-panies profess an inability to supply the farmers with cars and commission men re-fuse to handle their shipments.

**MAY CORN REACHES** SIXTY-CENTS MARK.

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Wheat Opened Firm, but Closed Depressed-Oats Very Strong-Provisions Rather Quiet.

Chicago, Ill., May 15 .- Wheat was rather firm early and the trading of a local char-Reports of rain in Southwest depressed the market towards the latter part

Corn was strong and active. May sold at 60c, the highest price thus far. Shorts cov-

Oats were strong, shorts good buyers of the May option. Crop reports unfavorable. Provisions rather quiet and with but lit-

Wheat. There was a firmer tone to the wheat market at the opening, buying was encouraged by the drought in Kansas, and only traces of rain were reported by the weather Bureau. St. Louis bought freely the first hour and filled their Chicago correspondents full of crop-damage news. The belief in any serious damage to Kansas wheat was not general, by any means, as was observ-able by the rather free offerings on all the

able by the rather free offerings on all the moderate advances.

It was a weather market, with attention of not only Chicago, but the entire speculative world on Kansas. The local crowd was short and fell in line on the buying side. Cables were unsettled. Paris ruftered a decline early, but regained this and added the per but, onto the price for the day. Liverpool was off %d early, and closed 1661% lower. Antwerp was un-

July wheat at Berlin closed %c per bu. lower; May wheat at Buda-Pesth was %c lower. It is officially announced that Hun-garain wheat and crops are medium and

lower. It is officially announced that Hungarain wheat and crops are medium and that barley is medium except in Northern mountainous district and that crops there require mild weather and rain. Outside markets firm. Receipts at Duiuth were 8 cars and at Minneapons 143 cars, a total of 182 cars, and 15 cars last year.

Local receipts were 45 cars angainst 16 cars last year. Included in the above were 2 cars of contract grade. Estimated receipt to-morrow, are 35 cars. The Receipts at Western points were 32,555 bu., against 22,555 bu., last year. Shipments from Western points were 1,286,55 bu., against 23,565 bu. last year. Exports of wheat and flour were equal to 362,355 bu. May opened at 705c, and closed at 175c bid. July nominaity 15c, July opened at 175c and closed at 175c and closed at 175c and closed at 175c.

Corn.

May showed sensational jumps, selling between 55c and 65c and closing at 58c (just

May showed sensational jumps, selling between 54c and 60c, and closing at 58c (just 4 cents higher). It was rumored that shorts settled round lots privately at 54g99c. July gamed 3c with sales between 445g12c, and 45%c, the close was at 454c. Cash sales were 19 boatloads at the seaboard and 65,000 bu, at Chicago.

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Trade was small in May, but very large in July; fair in Sept. The sensation of the day was the upturn in May. The market was almost bare of offerings, and the principal "long" bid the price up from 56c to 60c. There was a big trade in July, with trade well scattered. The buying was led by "shorts" and investors. Considerable "long" corn came out on the advance. Crop bulletins reported planting progressing rapidly, with the work finished in Kansas and Missouri, but the crop in the South is reported as quite uneven. Local receipts were 31 cars, of which 61 cars of contract grade. There were 89 cars switched from private to bublic houses, making 129 cars in all that will be delivered on May contracts. Liverpool was unchanged. Estimated receipts for to-morrow are 250 cars. Primary receipts were 477,419 bu, compared with 15,543 bu, a year ago. Clearances were 377,465 bu.

463 bu.

May opened at 54c, jumped to 55c, and closed at 58c. June sold at 45%c, July opened at 44%c to 44%c, and closed at 45%c. Sept. sold at 44%c at the opening and closed

Oats were excited and wild for May, with an advance of 3%c, on July of %c and Sept. of 1%c. A reaction of 16%c from the top prices was made, and the close was steady. "Shorts" and the "bull" interests bought May, and the latter were chiefly instrumental in making the advance. The buying of other months was general, and based on unfavorable crop prospects. There was moderate realizing on the advance, but the

AUTHOR'S SECRET.

Health.

Newspaper writers have a time of it to get the right kind of food to nourish them. One of this profession, who writes for a Boston paper, says: "From the first Grape-Nuts Food worked like a charm. My stomach had been failing to digest ordinary food, and my nerves were completely unstrung. I was about to give up work while preparing a series of articles for the press, but by a stroke of good fortune they began to feed me on Grape-Nuts. My strength gradually returned, nerves became steadler day by day, and I soon found I could do more office work with greater ease than ever before.

"There came to me that feeling of buoy-ant health and satisfaction with my work and satisfaction with myself. In short, I feit that life was worth living, and that I

FORM A COMBINE. .

Wheat growers from Kansas, Ne- . braska, Okiahoma and Indian Territory will meet at Salina, Kas., to- • day to organize an association to • combat the grain dealers' combine. · It is proposed to build or lease elevators, establish offices in the grain markets and handle the shipments EXCURSIONISTS ARE of members of the association with- or the commission men in the market
 centers. Pooling of interests by · grain dealers is alleged to be the • cause of the proposed counter action • **\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*** 

the condition of the market really war-rants. This is a clear profit to the grain trust and a clear loss to the grain grower. Farmers Building Elevators.

fitting close to an excursion that has been

Farmers Building Elevators.

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To meet these conditions the farmers are forming local associations and are building or leasing elevators. They plan to employ an agent who will handle all their grain, make the shipments, deduct the expenses of operating the business and apportion the profits among the members of the association.

At the meeting to-morrow a State association will be formed, uniting the many local associations that have sprung up within the last few months. Farmers will be asked to pledge themselves to deliver their wheat only 10 the association's agents and to be controlled by its officials as to the time of marketing their products.

Blow at Commission Men.

Another blow at the elevator combine her promise made when the party passed through here ten days ago, has entertained royally. A drive over the city occupied the guests from 6 until 7:20 o'clock, after which some of them were entertained at dinner at homes of their friends. At 9 o'clock they were given an elegant banquet in Mayer's auditorium. It was a full-dress affair. The

panies profess an inability to supply the farmers with cars and commission men refuse to handle their shipments.

How the Syndicate Works.

The farmers complain that they no longer have any chance for competitive prices. The elevators, formerly owned by individuals are now controlled by the grain trust and the farmers are compelled to accept the prices offered for their products. Grain luyers have formed an association and the farmers expect to evade the grain agreed to keep prices down, and the farmers expect to evade the grain luyers have no means of redress.

Wheat growers claim that the pool prices are from 2 to 6 cents lower per bushel than

offerings were well taken, the trading hav ing broadened.

A good cash demand existed, with sales of 525,000 bu. The weather crop bulletins said the crop needed rain. Export clearances were 225,000 bu. Arrivals were 104 cars, with only 140 cars estimated for to-

morrow.

May active and excited. Opened at 27% and closed at 20%c. July opened at 27% 27%c and closed at 28%c/28%c. Sept. was actively traded in. Opened at 25%c and closed at 26%c.

closed at 20%c.

Barley.

There were only a few cars on sale; they were taken. Some inquiry exists, but it is apparent only when a little barley comes on sale. The market was about lifeless, quotably steady at late prices. Only 12 cars inspected in. The advance in oats exerted a firmer market for barley. Screenings and choice quality sold up to 28½c, low grade 40%46c, common to fair 48%52c, good 55%56c, choice to fancy nominally above.

The market was exceedingly dull and inactive. Feeling was steady and prices without any essential change. Receipts were one car and nothing taken from store. The cash market was dull. No. 2 in store quotable at May price, or about 52c. May was 1c premium over July, closing about 52c. July was steady at 51c, which was the closing price. Range of Futures.

70% 71% 71% 71% 71% 67% July 14.60 14.72½ 14.60 14.70½ 14.60 14.70½ 14.47½ 14.60 14.47½ 14.60 14.47½ 14.60 14.47½ 14.60 14.47½ 14.60 14.47½ 14.60 14.60½

ing was unchanged and dull. Very little attention was given to futures; some small lots of May delivery were sold, with the last trade at ic depreciation in value. Demand seems to be absent. There were sixteen cars received here, all inspected and grading good—all but one car graded contract. No flax was taken out. Minneapolis reported 3 cars and Duluth 1 car. No. 1 and No. 1 Northwestern opened at \$1.74 and closed at \$1.73½. Rejected \$1.70; May \$1.72@ L73, closed at \$1.72 bid, Sept. \$1.32.

Timothy and Clover Seeds. Wichita Falls, and E. S. Lewis, Hanford Crawford, L. D. Dozler and H. S. Caulfield of St. Louis, The train will not leave Wich-ita Falls until 1 o'clock this morning. Protecting Strap Proved a Hang-

Timothy and Clover Seeds.

There was considerably more interests shown in new crop seed, and a good advanced, so that at the close \$3.27½ was bid and \$3.30 asked. The closing was very strong; No fresh receipts on sale. Contract grade, last crop seed, nominally about \$3.962.59. Country lots quotable over a range of \$347.55 for poor to fancy seed, below for very low grade, and about \$3.296.39 for fair to good.

Clover-Nothing was doing in clover. There were offerings. Under the circumstances the merket was nominal, as last quoted, with country lots \$693 for poor to choice, tailings \$3.5024.59. Fair to good \$3.5025.50. Contract grade nominally about \$3.50. Timothy and Clover Seeds.

Trade was comparatively in the market for hog products, and the feeling was steady. Outside orders were small, and local trading was somewhat limited. Operators interested in other markets. Hogs in fair supply and prices lower. Receipts at the leading Western packing points were estimated at \$4.700, compared with 77,000 one year ago. Foreign markets were quiet and steady, with cumberland sides quoted & lower. Domestic markets were steady. Receipts of products were moderate. Prices ruled slightly lower early on all the speculative articles, but rallied again, and the market closed steady around outside figures. May pork was quiet and steady, with small sales at \$14.57\(\frac{1}{2}\). July offerings were moderate, and demand rather light; opened at \$14.60 to \$14.57\(\frac{1}{2}\). July offerings were moderate, and demand rather light; opened at \$14.60 to \$14.57\(\frac{1}{2}\). July offerings were moderate, and closed quiet at \$14.47\(\frac{1}{2}\). Was little called for and offerings small. Sold sparingly at \$14.45\(\frac{1}{2}\). May lard was quiet and quotable at \$7.90. July demand limited and offerings small, opened at \$7.90. Sold to \$7.90, and closed at that. Sept. was called for moderately and offerings small opened at \$7.90. Sold to \$7.90, and closed at the latter figure.

May ribs were quiet and steady, with small sales at \$3.62\(\frac{1}{2}\). July was in light request and offerings small. Opened at \$7.85 and closed steady at that price.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

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# UNIVERSITY PLACE

St. Louis Real Estate Transfers for May Will Aggregate More Than \$2,500,000.

LITIGATION OF YORE ESTATE.

welfth and Olive Streets Corner to Be Sold Under the Hammer-Other Realty News.

**NEARING ST. LOUIS.** 

Last Day of Tour Through Texas

Marked by Exceptionally

Pleasant Incidents.

Paris, Tex., May 15.-This is the last day

of the St. Louis Interstate Merchants' As-

sociation tour of Texas and has been a

The excursionists reached Paris at

e'clock to-night, and this city, true to

welcome address was made by P. J. Ownby,

H. S. Canfield responding in his usual elo-

quent manner. Dancing began at 10 o'clock

and continued until the train left after mid-

The excursion has traveled 2,746 miles 1

Texas, and upon arriving at St. Louis to-morrow night will have covered 3,35 miles

The service given by the railroads has been excellent and is highly appreciated by every member of the excursion party. L. S.

Thorne, vice president and general manage

of the Texas and Pacific, has been on the

Denison was the first place visited to day and two hours were spent in calls and an exchange of greetings. At the Elks' clubrooms light refreshments were served.

Milton Epsiein of Denison and George J. Tansey of St Louis were the speakers of

Bonham was reached at 2 p. m. and the

excursionists were ushered into the new

Texas and Pacific station, introduced to the

society belies of the city and served with

responded. C. H. White of Bonham also

Lewis, the official photographer for the ex-

KILLED BY SAFETY DEVICE.

Noose for the Baby.

Union Hill, N. J., May 15 .- Mrs. Abelato Canales of 412 Malone street, West Hoboken, N. J., placed her 17-months-old daughacross in front of the little one's breast to

Leaving the child a toy to amuse her, Mrs. Canales went into the yard. Return ing to the house, she found the child dear in the high chair. The baby had slipped

off the seat and, the strap catching her neck under the chin, she had strangied to

Railroad to Be Sold.

Railroad to Re Sold.

Judge Trieber, in the Federal Court today granted a decree of foreclosure in the
case of the St. Louis Trust Company, trustee, vs. the Mississippi and Little Rock
Railway Company, and ordered the property sold by the master on July 1. The
bonds, coupons and interest amount to
\$559,666. The property, which consists of an
old road bed and right of way, is worth
\$50,000, and will hardly bring that amount
at the sale.

C. B. & Q. Directors Meet.

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Boston, Mass., May 15.—The directors of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad Company held their regular monthly meeting to-day, but considered only routine business. That there has been no interruption to the plans for the absorption of the Burlington by the Great Northern and Northern Pacific is indicated by the fact that the underwriting syndicate has to-day called the first installment of 10 per cent.

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night.

Directors of University place, formerly the Catlin tract, met yesterday in the real estate department of the Lincoln Trust Company and elected Thomas Wright president; George F. Durant, vice president, and Edward H. Coffin secretary and treasurer.

Execution and recording of the deeds of transfer will be completed to-day. Designs for the gateways to be erected on the property were submitted to the directors, but no decision was arrived at. The real estate department of the Lincoln Trust Company will handle the affairs of the property.

The recording of the deeds of the place will increase the amount of real estate transfers for the month to a tremendous figure and it is expected that May will break all records in this respect. Moses Greenwood, Jr. stated yesterday that the total for the nonth would undoubtedly be extremely large. "We are going to have a recordbreaking month," he said, "and it seems as if the real estate transfers would amount to besides the Catlin tract are going to pull up the total immensely."

A sale, which is exciting great interest, is that of the southwest corner of Twelfth and Olive streets, which will be sold under an Olive streets, which will be sold under an order of court at the Courthouse door one week from to-day. This property has a frentage of 116½ feet on Twelfth ttreet and a depth of 100 feet on Olive street, and will be sold by James A. Webb and Charles A. Robinson, special commissioners. Frank M. Estes is the attorney in the case.

the occasion.

An interurban trolley line connects Denison with Sherman, and this way of reaching Sherman was taken in preference to the excursion train. The ride of ten miles was much enjoyed and brought the St. Louisans to Sherman at 11:30 a. m. They were the guests of the Commercial Club at that place and were given a reception at the clubrooms. During the serving of refreshments speeches were made by Professor W. L. Lemon and Dan Martin on behalf of Sherman and J. R. Curlee, H. L. Canfield and George G. Tansey for St. Louis. The property was left by the late Patrick Yore, under a clause that it should never be sold, but that the interest from the estate should go to his heirs. These heirs are Augustus P. Yore, James H. Yore, Charles J. Yore and Mrs. J. T. McCoy, children of Patrick Yore, and their chil-

children of Patrick Yore, and their children.

Augustus P. Yore has two children, Mrs. McCoy has two and James H. Yore has six. The total number of heirs is ten, divided into junior and senior divisions. Several years ago the senior division wished to sell the property, but was opposed by the junior division, and in a lawsuit the will of Patrick Yore was held inviolate.

In the meantime the property's improvements have run down, and no income has accrued. Frank M. Estes, the referee, decided that the property could be sold, as taxes had accumulated, and no income was being derived. As the taxes continued to accumulate he obtained an order of the Court authorizing the sale.

This is said to be the first time that such a will has been evaded in Missouri, its terms having been held inviolate previously. The only case approaching it was the sale of a tract left by Henry Shaw, with instructions that the income alone should be used. As no income was received, the Cours decided that it was public policy to seit the tract, which was part of that left the city.

John S. Blake yesterday reported the sale

spoke. After the speaking a pleasant time was spent driving around the city and con-versing with the ladies. Doctor Bransford cursionists, took several pictures of the Bonham belles, who assisted in the enter-Bonnam beles, who assisted in the enter-tainment.

Mr. Hope Carlton of the Carlton Dry Goods Company, St. Louis, whose home is in Bonham, gave each member of the ex-cursion an American beauty rose, and had much to do with the success of the recep-

John S. Blake yesterday reported the said of the twelve-room brick dwelling. No.

Fair.

Directors of the various branches of the Terminal Railroad stated yesterday that no definite steps had been taken as yet regarding the bridge, but that there had been much talk concerning it. Permits were issued yesterday to V. E. Rhodes to erect flats, numbering from 447 to 497, inclusive, on Delmar boulevard, the total amount to be expended being \$30,000.

"Quick Comfort" Refrigerators are sold in all parts of the city of St. Louis by the most enterprising dealers. They know when they sell a "Quick Comfort" Refrigerator they give their customer an article that satisfies and that it will make permanent customers out of them. The "Quick Comfort" takes less ice and is the easiest Refrigerator to clean.

**ELECTION JUDGES DISCHARGED.** 

Judge Clark Sustains Demurrer in Twenty-three Cases.

The cases of the twenty-three judges of election who were indicted on charges of neglect of duty were dismissed in the Court of Criminal Correction yesterday morning. of Criminal Correction yesterday morning.

Judge Clark sustained a demurrer to the indistments several weeks ago, but gave the State time to file amended informations in the cases. The State falled to file the amended informations and when the cases came up yesterday Judge Clark dismissed them. It was charged that the judges neglected their duty in falling to revise the registration lists and strike from them the names of persons who were not revise the registration lists and strike from them the names of persons who were not entitled to vote. The names of the twenty-three judges follow:
Joseph Sheridan, Moses Branch, J. T. Evans, D. Nordan, E. J. Coff, J. W. Whalen, Edward Perringer, Joseph Frank-lin, James M. Johnson, C. J. Bonroe, Frank Owens, H. F. Hodnett, E. J. Feehan, Joseph Reis, Joseph Watts, M. J. Kelly, M. E. McPaddin, Chris Bruntner, J. W. Vogelsang, Bernard Fries, J. J. Maurer, A. M. Eppenburger and John J. Callahan.

METAL WORKERS' MEETING. Threatened Strike of Machinists and Others Discussed.

An all-day session was held Wednesday by the St. Louis Metal Trades' Association, at its headquarters on the tenth foor of the Century building. The threatened strike of the International Association of Machinists, the National Metal Trades' Association, of which the St. Louis Metal Trades' Association is the local branch, and the other allied trades unions which have signified their Intentions of standing by the association of machinists, was discussed.

President F. Schwedimann of the St. Louis Metal Trades' Association said: "We have decided to stand firm by the machinists, who are now receiving from 25 to 32 cents per hour, and who demand a minimum rate of 30 cents per hour. I think the troubies and differences will be adjusted amicably without a strike."

Local machinists are considering the question of a nine-hour work day without reduction of their wages, but although several meetings have been held no definite action has been taken.

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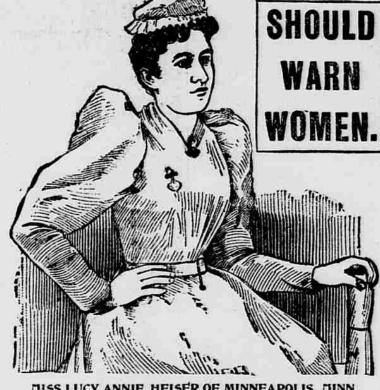
Securities Nearly All In.

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REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Boston, Mass., May 15.—About 39 per cent of securities of Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis and Kansas City, Memphis and Birmingham roads have been deposited with the Old Colony Trust Company under the purchase offer of the Pierce syndicate. The Purchasing Committee has, however, consented to continue to receive the 1 per cent of outstanding stock until further notice upon the same terms.

# DIRECTORS CHOSEN. BACKACHE



MISS LUCY ANNIE HEISER OF MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Miss Lucy Annie Heiser, a graduated nurse of nine years' experience, trained and duated from the Homeopathic Hospital of Minneapolis, Minn., writes as follows: "Albert Lea, Mian., Nov. 8, 1899. "The Perana Medicine Co., Columbus, O.:

"Centlemen-Although my school does not believe in patent medicines, I have found it to be a fact that Peruna is a grand and valuable medicine. I have known it to cure Mrs. Sampson, suffering with an inflamed womb, aggravated by malaria, after the doctors had falled to help her. Another of my former patients suffered with a complication of female diseases; she was so thin, nothing but skin and bones, but Peruna cured her, and she is to-day in good health and good flesh. Facts prove that Peruna revives lost strength and restores to the sick that most wonderful blessing of life—health. "Lucy Annie Heiser."

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charge of the Grammar Department of the Public schools of Columbia City, Wash., also Past Grand of Independent Order of Good Templars, Dr. Hartman received the following letter:

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"I constantly improved and before the seventh bottle was completely used, all poins were gone, my strength was restored, and I now seem ten years younger. "If I get tired or feel had, Peruna at

once helps me, and I feel you deserve praise for placing such a conscientious medicine before a suffering peblic."

Mrs. Amanda Shumaker. Mattle B. Curtis, Secretary Legion of Loyal Women, Hotel Salem, Boston, Mass.,

general weakness and debility, manifested especially In severe backache and headache. "My physician pre

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scribed different medicines, none of which seemed to help me any until a club me to try Peruna, as

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### **MACHINISTS' STRIKE** MAY BE AVERTED.

Employes and Men All Anxious to Avoid a Clash of In-

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Washington, May 15 .- At the headquarters of the International Association of Mechanics the prediction is made to-day that the threatened strike may be averted.

President O'Connell went to Philadelphia to-day, to confer with representatives of several large firms in connection with the proposed strike. It is believed that his visit will be productive of results beneficial to all

the tract, which was particity.

John S. Blake yesterday reported the sale of the twelve-room brick dwellins. No. 6019 West Cabanne place, with 10 65x200 feet, to Thrasher Hall, the insurance adjuster, on behalf of William R. Edison, for \$11,000. Mr. Hall will occupy the residence as his home.

Recent developments in the movement to improve the property surrounding Union Station have been encouraging to those suited that favorable action will be taken in the matter of a park for the front of the the stitum.

The idea of a bridge over Clark avenue, to which the Terminal Railway Association is pledged to donate \$150,000 whenever the city gets ready to pay its share of the work. Is also exciting attention. Such a structure is also exciting attention. Such a structure is generally regarded as being a decided im of generally regarded as being a decided in the danger has passed. He says that, in case of a strike, the public need not fear violence upon the part of the strikers.

General Board to Meet.

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General Board to Meet.

There will be a meeting here Friday of the general Board of Trustees of the National Labor Association. The board will remain in continual session until after May 20, the date upon which the strike is ordered to begin. This board is composed of President O'Connell, George H. Preston, secretary; D. Douglas Wilson, national vice president; Hugh Doran of Chicago, A. W. Holmes of Toronto, P. J. Colon of Sloux City, Ia., and J. J. Connolly of Boston. In case trouble arises in any locality, some of these officers will be dispatched immediately.

#### TO CONFER WITH RAMSEY.

Wabash Machinists Will Visit St. Louis This Week.

Springfield, Ill., May 15 .- At a meeting nere to-day of the striking machinists of the Wabash shops here, it was decided to appoint a committee to visit General Marlast of this week.

Master of Motive Power Barnes stated this evening that the shops would continue in operation. It is reported that the machinists at Moberly, Mo., may quit work before the end of the week.

To Cure Headache in 10 Minutes Take Parker's Headache Powders. They are safe and sure. All druggists. Price 10c.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, May 15.—Hotel arrivals to-day include the following visitors from the St. Louis-G. W. Krebs, Mrs. Krebs,

TO FORM EPISCOPAL CLUB.

Churchmen Hold Conference and Appoint Organization Committee.

Appoint Organization Committee.

Representatives from various Episcopal churches of the city met last night at St. Peter's Church, Lindell boulevard and Spring avenue, to discuss the organization of a church club. A committee on by-laws and constitution, consisting of F. J. Mc-Masters, W. C. Stevens and James A. Waterworth, was appointed.

The Reverend William Short called the meeting to order, and E. H. Lysett of Grace Church, Kirkwood, was elected to the chair. Charles J. Miller was appointed secretary. Short talks were made by William H. Thompson, James O. Ford and the Reverend Edmund Duckworth, The intention is to form a body where the laymen of the various churches shall be brought into closer contact with one another and with the clergy, and where interest will be stimulated in the work of the church throughout the city.

A tour of inspection was made by the vis-

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CELEBRATED VICTORY. Irish-Americans Gather in Honor of Democratic Success.

Irish-American Democrats attended tory of the party in the April election, tory of the party in the April election. About 100 guests were present. The dining hall was tastefully decorated with potted plants, cut flowers and American and Irish flags. The tables were arranged to face the speakers' table, which was at the west end of the room. At this were scated Judge Thomas Morris, toastmaster, Mayor Wells, Harry B. Hawes, Edward Devoy, L. F. Hammer, E. A. Noonan and John T. Keating of Chicago.

Among those present were:

P. W. Byrne, P. B. Cussack, P. G. Cumning.

city.

Harry B. Hawes responded to the togst
"New St. Louis Under Triumphant Democracy." (The Louisiana Purchase and
World's Fair" was responded to by L. F.
Hammer. E. A. Noonan replied to the sentiment, "Democracy, the Champion of Liberty, Foe of Oppression." (The Naturaleized Citizen as a Democrat," was responded to by John T. Keating of Chicago.

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